

Quick Facts about NOVA: Transfer-Out Rates

Transfer-Out Rate

The **transfer-out rate** is calculated as the percentage of first-time in college, full-time, program-placed students who transfer to a four-year institution within 150 percent of normal time to program completion.

Comparison Groups

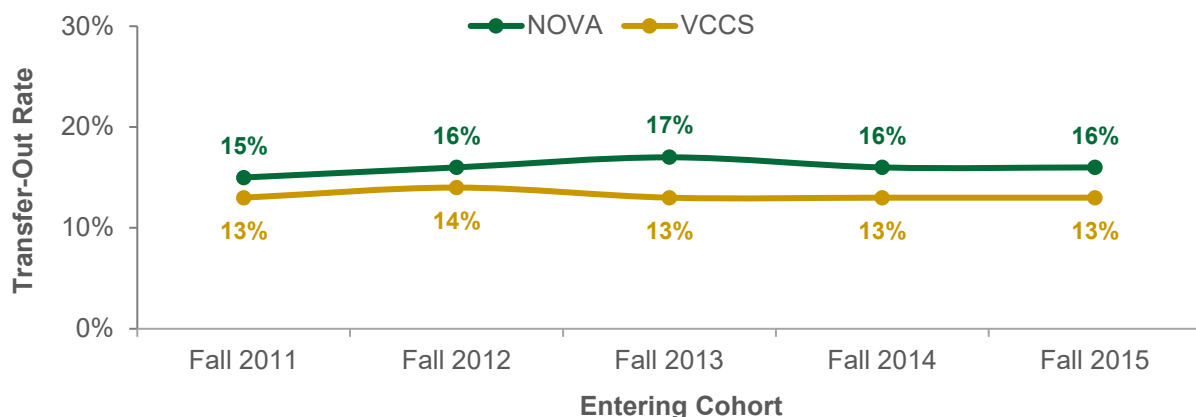
The graduation rate is presented alongside several comparison groups.

- **VCCS Colleges:** Twenty-three (23) community colleges in the Commonwealth of Virginia who are members of the Virginia Community College System (VCCS)
- **Peer Institutions:** Fifteen (15) public, two-year institutions (including NOVA) with student populations that are similar in demographics to NOVA students

Transfer-Out Rates at NOVA versus VCCS Colleges

- From the Fall 2011 through Fall 2015 cohorts, the percentage of NOVA students who transferred to a four-year institution increased from 15 to 16 percent.
- During this time, NOVA's transfer-out rate was between two and four percentage points higher than the VCCS transfer-out rate.

Figure 1. Transfer-Out Rates at NOVA and VCCS: Fall 2011 through Fall 2015 Cohorts



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Transfer-Out Rates at NOVA versus Peer Institutions

- From the Fall 2010 through Fall 2014 cohorts, NOVA's transfer-out rate was three to six percentage points lower than the median of its peer institutions.
- For the Fall 2014 cohort, NOVA's transfer-out rate ranked 10th out of 15 peer institutions.

**Figure 2. Comparison of Transfer-Out Rates for NOVA and Peer Institutions (Median):
Fall 2010 through Fall 2014 Cohorts**

